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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Responsive to the Office Communication dated December 2, 2005, applicant requests reconsideration of the requirement for a second supplemental oath/declaration. As indicated in its October 19, 2005 response, applicant's attorney understood from teleconferences with Examiner Glessner that there would be no additional requirement for a supplemental oath/declaration because the one applicant filed on June 14, 2004 was accepted. As explained to Examiner Glessner prior to June, 2004, the requirement for a supplemental oath and declaration was extremely difficult for applicant because the inventors did not reside near applicant, and because communication with them was very difficult. Applicant's attorney worked with Examiner Glessner to ensure that the supplemental oath/declaration submitted on June 14, 2004 was the final one required for this application. After filing the supplemental oath/declaration on June 14, 2004, applicant's attorney corresponded with

Examiner Glessner via written responses on August 9, 2004 and September 9, 2004, as well as teleconference with him on June 14, 2004 and a voice-mail exchange on November 15, 2004. In his voice-mail message of November 15, 2004, Examiner Glessner indicated certain amendments needed to be made to the specification and claims, and applicant made those changes in the Amendment it filed on October 19, 2005.

Applicant has complied with all outstanding requirements concerning the specification and claims, and has already submitted a supplemental oath/declaration (on June 14, 2004). Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests allowance of the reissue application and reissuance of the patent.

Respectfully submitted,

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